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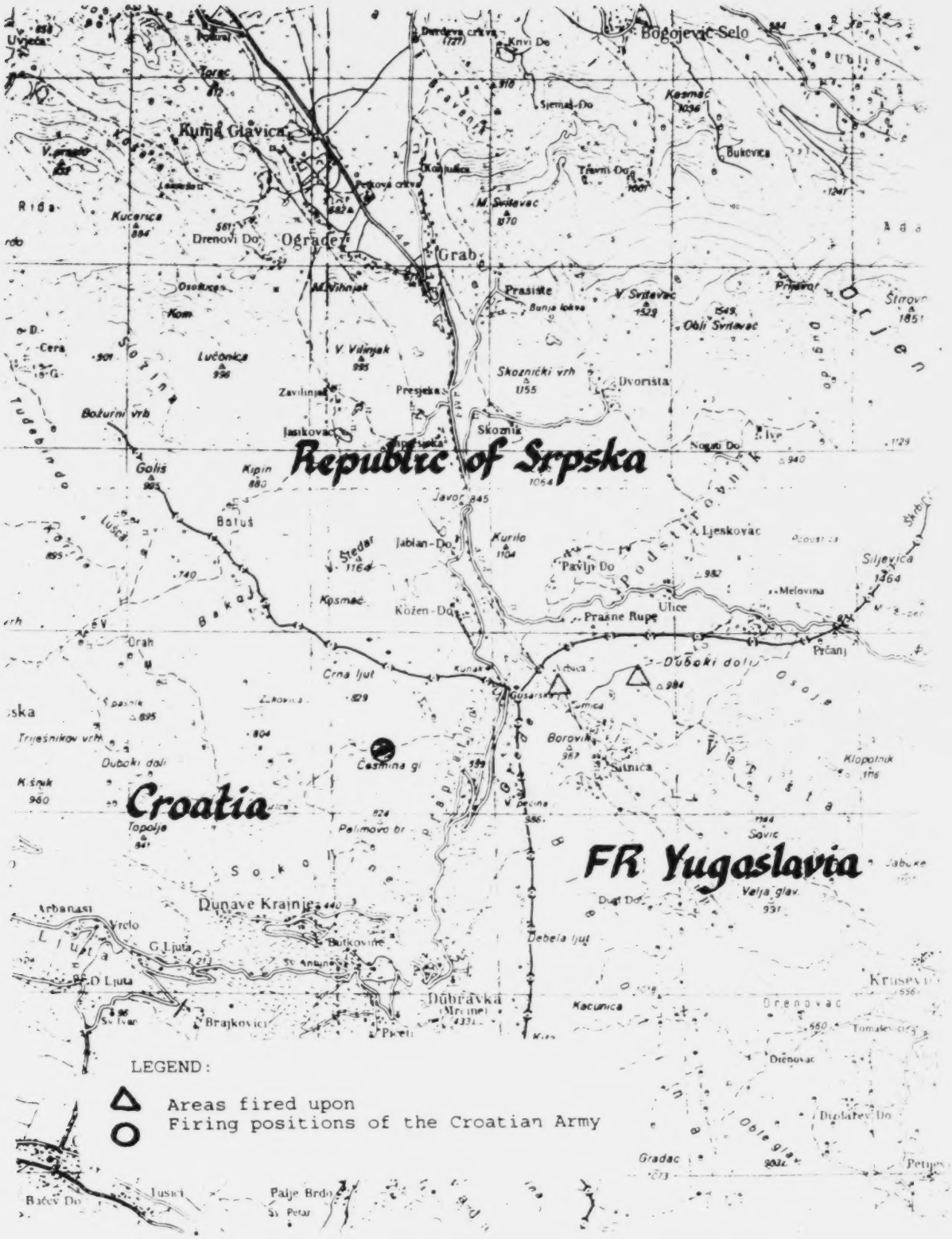
With regard to the letters of the Ambassador of Croatia dated 6 September 1995 (S/1995/770) and 2 October 1995 (S/1995/838), upon instructions of my Government I have the honour to inform you of the following.

The Croatian forces have on several occasions launched attacks on the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. Their aim was to provoke the Army of Yugoslavia and subsequently portray the Yugoslav side as an aggressor engaged in the military activities on this part of the border. The statement by the Ambassador of Croatia "that the Croatian Army units did not launch any attack on the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia (Serbia and Montenegro) neither on 28 August 1995 nor at any time before or after that date", is absolutely untrue and a feeble attempt by Croatia to evade responsibility for its aggressive acts.

The administrative borders among the republics of the former Socialist Federal Republic of Yugoslavia have never been precisely delineated on the ground which makes it possible for all secessionist Yugoslav republics to interpret them in an arbitrary fashion. It is quite evident that this is exactly what the Croatian authorities are doing with regard to their latest attack on the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia. The cadastre borders between the counties of Sitnica in the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia and the neighbouring Croatian counties are shown in the map, attached hereto. Despite the fact that the disputed areas of Gusarska Jama and Prasne Rupe are located on the very border between the Republic of Srpska and the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, it is quite clear from the map that the Croatian shells fired from positions of Cesmina Glava (marked by a circle in the map) fell well into the territory of the Federal Republic of Yugoslavia, at points marked by triangles. The township of Kozarske Jame as shown in the Croatian map does not exist. That locality has been known as Gusarska Jama.

I should be grateful if you would have the present letter circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Vladislav JOVANOVIC
Ambassador
Chargé d'affaires a.i.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